

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, OCTOBER 25, 2006

APPLICATION OF

WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2006-00059

For a general increase in rates,
fees, charges and revisions to
the terms and conditions of service and
for approval of a performance-
based rate regulation methodology
under Va. Code § 56-235.6

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

On April 27, 2006, Washington Gas Light Company and the Shenandoah Gas Division of Washington Gas Light Company (hereafter collectively referred to as "WGL" or the "Company") filed an Annual Informational Filing ("AIF") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission"). The AIF included financial and operating information for the Company for the twelve months ended December 31, 2005. Subsequent to the filing of its AIF, WGL gave notice to the Commission of its intent to revise its AIF and to file a general rate application. The Company advised that it intended to replace the ratemaking adjustments shown in the schedules accompanying its AIF with those permitted for general rate applications under the Commission's Rules Governing Utility Rate Increase Applications and Annual Informational Filings, 20 VAC 5-200-30 ("Rate Case Rules").

On September 15, 2006, the Company filed a general rate application with the Commission requesting authority to (i) increase its rates, fees, and charges for natural gas service; (ii) revise its terms and conditions for natural gas service; and (iii) implement a performance based rate plan ("PBR Plan") under § 56-235.6 of the Code of Virginia ("Code"). The Company's application proposes rates and charges designed to increase WGL's annual

operating revenues by \$23.0 million, an increase of approximately 3.63% in total going-level operating revenues based on the test year ended December 31, 2005.

The Company's proposed rate increase is based on an overall rate of return of 9.12% on rate base, including a return on common equity capital of 11.25%. WGL maintains that to achieve this rate of return, it must earn annual revenues of \$657.3 million. The Company further proposes to collect most of its rate increase through increases in System Charges and Distribution Charges, with additional revenues collected through the extension of its Reconnection Charge to cases where service is terminated due to the failure of a customer to provide reasonable access to Company equipment.

WGL advises that its proposed annual increases for customers of WGL and former customers of the Shenandoah Gas Division of WGL are as follows:

Washington Gas Virginia Customers

Residential	3.6%
Commercial and Industrial	1.3%
Group Metered Apartments	1.0%

Former Shenandoah Gas Division Customers

Residential	3.8%
Commercial and Industrial	1.4%
Group Metered Apartments	1.5%

WGL also proposes to institute a revenue normalization adjustment ("RNA"), i.e., a billing adjustment mechanism designed to decouple the Company's non-gas revenues from actual volumetric deliveries. According to the Company, an RNA factor will be computed for each billing cycle month for each rate schedule to establish a credit or surcharge to the Distribution

Charges contained in each rate schedule, based on the difference between actual revenues billed in a billing cycle month and the level of billing cycle monthly revenues consistent with the revenue requirement established in this proceeding, adjusted for customer growth. The Company proposes to cap monthly RNA credits or surcharges at \$0.05 per therm, with any amounts in excess of the capped amount to be credited or surcharged, in a future month or months.

As an alternative to the RNA, the Company proposes a Weather Normalization Adjustment ("WNA") provision, which, according to the Company, is designed to reduce the volatility of customers' monthly natural gas bills and the Company's monthly non-gas revenues due to variances from normal weather. Under WGL's proposal, a WNA factor will be established each month for the October through May billing cycles for each rate schedule in order to reconcile actual weather usage to normal weather usage. Separate WNA factors will be established for the customers of WGL and former customers of the Shenandoah Gas Division of WGL. To minimize the impact of the WNA on monthly bills, the Company proposes to cap monthly WNA credits or surcharges at \$0.05 per therm, with any amounts in excess of the capped amount to be credited or surcharged in a future billing cycle or cycles. The WNA will provide credits to Distribution Charges when total monthly usage by rate schedule is greater, due to colder than normal weather, than the level on which rates are established in this proceeding. The WNA will provide surcharges to Distribution Charges when monthly usage is less, due to warmer than normal weather, than the level on which rates are established in this proceeding.

WGL's application also asks to recover hexane costs¹ from its sales customers through its Purchased Gas Charge ("PGC") provision and from delivery service customers through balancing charges. With regard to hexane cost recovery, WGL is not proposing revisions to General Service Provision ("GSP") No. 16, the PGC provision, or GSP No. 24, the Balancing Charge provision, because, according to WGL, the recovery of hexane costs through these provisions is consistent with existing tariff language. To recover hexane costs from interruptible delivery service customers, the Company proposes revisions to the Balancing Charge provision of Rate Schedule No. 11, Interruptible Delivery Service Gas Supplier Agreement. If recovery of hexane costs from sales customers through the PGC and from delivery service customers through balancing charges is not authorized, WGL requests that base rates be adjusted to recover such costs.

WGL proposes a Gas Administrative Charge ("GAC") in order to remove uncollectible accounts expense related to gas costs from base rates and to recover an amount for the expense through the Company's PGC.

The Company further proposes a sharing arrangement for net revenues generated by its new asset management arrangement. Under the Company's proposed sharing arrangement, the Virginia-allocated portion of the first \$6 million of system net revenues from all asset management activities during the annual period consistent with the Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") reconciliation period (September through August) will be credited 100% to Virginia ratepayers through the ACA portion of the Company's automatic adjustment clause for

¹ WGL maintains that leaks attributable to the shrinkage of rubber seals in mechanical couplings used in the construction of 2-inch and smaller distribution mains and service lines have been linked to the lack of heavy hydrocarbons in re-gasified liquefied natural gas ("LNG") received from Cove Point LNG, a system supply. WGL asserts that it has been injecting hexane into its gas distribution system to minimize or prevent additional leaks from mechanical couplings throughout the Company's distribution system.

purchasing gas. The Company also proposes that the Virginia-allocated portion of the next \$4 million in system net revenues (net revenues greater than \$6 million and up to \$10 million) be shared 50/50 between ratepayers and shareholders. Further, under the Company's proposal, the Virginia-allocated portion of all system net revenues in excess of \$10 million will be shared, with 25% credited to ratepayers and 75% credited to shareholders.

WGL further proposes a number of changes to the general service provisions of its tariffs, including changes to: (a) GSP No. 3, *Deposits to Guarantee Payment of Bills* - to provide a more lenient standard which does not penalize customers who generally make timely bill payments, and to permit the Company to return security deposits by crediting customers accounts, rather than by refund checks; (b) GSP No. 4, *Payments* - to provide an option for customers to phone-in initial and/or final meter reads and to provide for electronic banking, telephone and on-line payment options; (c) GSP No. 5, *Metering* - to terminate service to customers who refuse reasonable requests for access to the Company's meter and to impose a reconnection charge upon restoration of service; (d) GSP No. 9, *Customer's Piping and Appliances* - to clarify that the Company may turn off the gas supply, without liability, if there is a safety concern relating to the customer's piping or appliances; (e) GSP No. 16, *Purchased Gas Charge* - to reflect the Company's asset management revenue sharing arrangement proposed by the Company in the ACA provision; (f) GSP No. 17, *Force Majeure* - to correct typographical errors; (g) GSP No. 20, *Dishonored Checks* - to reflect dishonored payments made by methods other than checks; (h) GSP No. 22, *Service Initiation Charge* - to exclude builders or rental property managers requesting service on a temporary basis; (i) GSP No. 25, *Automated Payment Plan* - to clarify the circumstances under which the payment plan can be discontinued if a customer makes a "dishonored" payment; (j) GSP No. 26, *Billing Error* - to indicate that the costs involved in

identifying and resolving meter tampering and related under-billing will be billed to customers; (k) new GSP No. 29, RNA - to implement the RNA proposed by the Company; (l) alternate GSP No. 29, Weather Normalization Adjustment - to implement the WNA proposed by the Company if the RNA is not approved; (m) Rate Schedule No. 11, Interruptible Delivery Service Gas Supplier Agreement - to revise the balancing charge provision; and (n) Appendix A - to reflect revisions to the charges proposed in this case by the Company.

The PBR Plan proposed by the Company under § 56-235.6 of the Code incorporates the following features: (i) a base rate freeze (based on rates established in this proceeding) for three years beginning with the date interim rates are implemented in this case; (ii) service quality standards to measure the Company's progress in maintaining a safe and reliable gas distribution system while controlling operating costs; and (iii) an earnings sharing mechanism ("ESM") to share specified earnings under the PBR Plan between ratepayers and shareholders. According to the Company, the proposed ESM applies only to earnings in excess of the top of the range of the return on equity ("ROE") approved in this case. WGL states that under its proposed PBR Plan, Virginia-regulated, weather normalized earnings up to 100 basis points above the top of the authorized ROE range will be shared 50/50 between ratepayers and shareholders. Earnings in excess of 100 basis points above the authorized ROE range will be shared with 25% credited to ratepayers and 75% credited to shareholders. As part of the PBR Plan, WGL has requested approval of a billing adjustment mechanism to adjust Distribution Charges under all rate schedules to reflect any increase or decrease in existing federal or state income tax rates, and any new taxes levied on the Company in Virginia.

WGL advises that it plans to file a depreciation study after the filing of the captioned application and requests leave to file supplemental testimony and schedules after the depreciation

study is filed so as to support the results of the depreciation study in the rates to be determined herein. WGL advises that it will not request an increase greater than the \$23.0 million requested in the application

WGL requests that it be permitted to implement the proposed rates and charges and proposed revised terms and conditions related thereto on an interim basis, effective for service rendered on and after February 13, 2007, with the exception of proposed tariff revisions related to the RNA or WNA, hexane cost recovery, GAC, asset management revenue sharing, and proposed PBR Plan. With regard to these exceptions, WGL proposes to implement these revisions upon final approval of the Commission.

On October 13, 2006, the Commission issued its Preliminary Order in the captioned case. In that Order, the Commission docketed the Company's application and determined that the Company's proposed rates and charges and proposed tariff revisions, excluding the proposed RNA or WNA, GAC, hexane gas recovery, and asset management revenue sharing, should be suspended pursuant to § 56-238 of the Code for one hundred and fifty days from the date the application was filed to and through February 12, 2007. The Commission further directed that in accordance with the Company's representations, the tariff revisions related to the RNA or WNA, GAC, recovery of hexane costs, and asset management revenue sharing should not be implemented until approved by the Commission. The Commission finally held that WGL's proposed PBR Plan could not be implemented until the Commission, after notice and opportunity for hearing, makes the findings required by § 56-235.6 of the Code.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the Company's application, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that a hearing examiner should be assigned to conduct all further

proceedings on this matter on behalf of the Commission; and that a procedural schedule should be established as prescribed herein.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) A copy of the application and its supporting documents, Preliminary Order, and this Order for Notice and Hearing, as well as other documents now or hereafter filed in this proceeding, shall be made available for public inspection in the Commission's Document Control Center located on the First Floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. A copy of the application may be obtained by requesting a copy of the same from counsel for WGL, Donald R. Hayes, Esquire, Washington Gas Light Company, 101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20080. Upon receipt of a request for a copy of the application, WGL shall serve copies of the same upon the requesting party within three (3) business days of such request. If acceptable to the requesting party, the Company may provide copies of the application, with or without attachments, by electronic means. In addition, unofficial copies of the Commission's Preliminary Order, Order for Notice and Hearing, as well as other Orders entered in this docket, the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules"), as well as other information concerning the Commission and the statutes it administers, may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm>.

(2) As provided by § 12.1-31 of the Code and the Commission's Rules, 5 VAC 5-20-120, *Procedure Before Hearing Examiners*, a hearing examiner is appointed to conduct all further proceedings in this matter on behalf of the Commission and to issue a final report herein.

(3) A public hearing shall be convened on April 23, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission's Courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond,

Virginia, to receive comments from members of the public and to receive evidence on the captioned application. Any person not participating as a respondent as provided in ordering paragraph (5) below, may give oral testimony concerning the application as a public witness at the April 23, 2007 public hearing. Public witnesses desiring to make statements at the public hearing concerning this application need only appear in the Commission's Second Floor Courtroom in the Tyler building at the address set forth above prior to 9:45 a.m. on the day of the hearing and register a request to speak with the Commission's bailiff.

(4) On or before December 13, 2006, the Company shall file with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118, an original and fifteen (15) copies of any additional direct testimony, exhibits and other material supporting its application for a general increase in rates and proposed PBR Plan.

(5) Any interested person may participate as a respondent in this proceeding by filing, on or before January 30, 2007, an original and fifteen (15) copies of a notice of participation with the Clerk at the address in ordering paragraph (4) above, and shall on the same day serve a copy of the notice of participation on counsel to the Company, Donald R. Hayes, Esquire, Washington Gas Light Company, 101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20080. Pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80, any notice of participation shall set forth (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Interested parties shall refer in all of their filed papers to Case No. PUE-2006-00059.

(6) Within five (5) business days of receipt of a notice of participation from a respondent, the Company shall serve upon each respondent a copy of this Order, the Preliminary

Order, a copy of the application, and all materials filed with the Commission, unless these materials have already been provided to the respondent.

(7) On or before February 28, 2007, each respondent shall file with the Clerk an original and fifteen (15) copies of any testimony and exhibits by which it expects to establish its case and shall serve copies of the testimony and exhibits on counsel to the Company and on all other respondents. The respondent shall comply with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and service*; 5 VAC 5-20-150, *Copies and format*; and 5 VAC 5-20-240, *Prepared testimony and exhibits*.

(8) On or before February 28, 2007, any interested person may file written comments on the captioned application with the Clerk at the address set out in ordering in paragraph (4) above and shall mail a copy to counsel to the Company, Donald R. Hayes, Esquire, Washington Gas Light Company, 101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20080. On or before February 28, 2007, any interested person desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm>, and referring to Case No. PUE-2006-00059.

(9) The Commission Staff shall investigate the Company's application for a general increase in rates and charges and its proposed PBR Plan. On or before March 29, 2007, the Staff shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of the Staff's testimony and exhibits regarding the captioned application and shall promptly serve a copy on counsel to the Company and all respondents participating in the captioned proceeding.

(10) On or before April 10, 2007, the Company shall file with the Clerk an original and fifteen (15) copies of any rebuttal testimony that it expects to offer in rebuttal to the testimony

and exhibits of the respondents and the Commission Staff, and shall on the same day serve one copy on the Commission Staff assigned to this proceeding and on all respondents herein.

(11) The Rule 5 VAC 5-20-260, *Interrogatories to parties or requests for production of documents and things*, and Rule 5 VAC 5-20-140, *Filing and Service*, shall be modified for this proceeding as provided hereafter: (i) answers and objections shall be served within seven (7) business days after receipt of interrogatories; and (ii) motions on the validity of any objections raised by answers shall be filed within five (5) business days of receipt of any objection.

(12) On or before November 30, 2006, WGL shall complete publication of the following notice as display advertising (not classified) on two occasions in newspapers of general circulation throughout WGL's service territory within the Commonwealth of Virginia:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION
BY WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY AND THE
SHENANDOAH GAS DIVISION OF WASHINGTON
GAS LIGHT COMPANY, FOR APPROVAL OF A GENERAL
INCREASE IN RATES, CHARGES, FEES, AND REVISIONS
TO ITS TARIFFS GOVERNING NATURAL GAS SERVICE
AND FOR APPROVAL OF A PERFORMANCE-BASED
RATE PLAN UNDER VA. CODE § 56-235.6
CASE NO. PUE-2006-00059

On September 15, 2006, Washington Gas Light Company ("WGL"), including its Shenandoah Gas Division (hereafter collectively the "Company"), filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") requesting the Commission to approve a general increase to the rates and charges for natural gas service as well as revisions to the tariffs and terms and conditions of service. The application also seeks approval of a performance-based rate plan pursuant to Va. Code § 56-235.6. The Company seeks an increase of \$23 million in annual operating revenues, an increase of approximately 3.63% over the Company's current operating revenues. The Company's application states that the annual increases proposed in the application for customers of WGL and former customers of the Shenandoah Division of WGL, by rate class, are as follows:

WGL VIRGINIA CUSTOMERS

Residential	3.6%
Commercial and Industrial	1.3%
Group Metered Apartments	1.0%

SHENANDOAH GAS DIVISION CUSTOMERS

Residential	3.8%
Commercial and Industrial	1.4%
Group Metered Apartments	1.5%

In accordance with Va. Code § 56-235.6, the Company also requests approval of a performance-based rate plan ("PBR Plan"). The PBR Plan proposed by the Company incorporates the following features: (i) a base rate freeze (based on rates established in this proceeding) for three years beginning with the date interim rates are implemented in this case; (ii) service quality standards to measure the Company's progress in maintaining a safe and reliable gas distribution system while controlling operating costs; and (iii) an earnings sharing mechanism ("ESM") to share specified earnings under the PBR Plan between ratepayers and shareholders. The proposed ESM applies only to earnings in excess of the top of the range of the return on equity approved by the Commission in this case. The Company states that under its proposed PBR Plan, *Virginia-regulated, weather normalized* earnings up to 100 basis points above the top of the authorized return on equity range will be shared 50/50 between ratepayers and shareholders. Earnings in excess of 100 basis points above the authorized return on equity range will be shared with 25% credited to ratepayers and 75% credited to shareholders. As part of the PBR Plan, the Company has requested approval of a billing adjustment mechanism to adjust Distribution Charges under all rate schedules to reflect any increase or decrease in existing federal or state income tax rates, and any new taxes levied on the Company in Virginia.

The Company further requests authority to institute a revenue normalization adjustment ("RNA"), *i.e.*, a billing adjustment mechanism designed to decouple the Company's non-gas revenues from actual volumetric deliveries. According to the Company, an RNA factor will be computed for each billing cycle month for each rate schedule to establish a credit or surcharge to the Distribution Charges contained in each rate schedule, based on the difference between actual revenues billed in a billing cycle month and the level of billing cycle monthly

revenues consistent with the revenue requirement established in this proceeding, adjusted-for customer growth. The Company proposes to cap monthly RNA credits or surcharges at \$0.05 per therm, with any amounts in excess of the capped amount to be credited or surcharged, in a future month or months.

As an alternative to the RNA, the Company proposes a Weather Normalization Adjustment ("WNA") provision, which is designed to reduce the volatility of customers' monthly natural gas bills and the Company's monthly non-gas revenues due to variances from normal weather. Under the Company's proposal, a WNA factor will be established each month for the October through May billing cycles for each rate schedule to reconcile actual weather usage to normal weather usage. Separate WNA factors will be developed for the customers of WGL and former customers of the Shenandoah Gas Division of WGL. To minimize the impact of the WNA on monthly bills, the Company proposes to cap monthly WNA credits or surcharges at \$0.05 per therm, with any amounts in excess of the capped amount to be credited or surcharged, in a future billing cycle or cycles if necessary, if the WNA factor exceeds \$0.05 per therm. The WNA will provide credits to Distribution Charges when total monthly usage by rate schedule is greater, due to colder than normal weather, than the level on which rates are established in this proceeding. According to the Company, the WNA will provide surcharges to Distribution Charges when monthly natural gas usage is less, due to warmer than normal weather, than the level on which rates are established in this proceeding.

The Company asks to recover hexane costs from its sales customers through its Purchased Gas Charge ("PGC") provision and from delivery service customers through balancing charges. The Company further proposes a Gas Administrative Charge ("GAC") in order to remove uncollectible accounts expense related to gas costs from its base rates and to recover an amount for the expense through the Company's PGC.

The Company further proposes a sharing arrangement for net revenues generated by its new asset management arrangement. Under the Company's proposed sharing arrangement, the Virginia-allocated portion of the first \$6 million of system net revenues from all asset management activities during the annual period consistent with the Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") reconciliation period (September through August) will be credited 100% to Virginia ratepayers through the ACA portion of the Company's automatic adjustment clause for purchasing gas. The

Company also proposes that the Virginia-allocated portion of the next \$4 million in system net revenues (net revenues greater than \$6 million and up to \$10 million) be shared 50/50 between ratepayers and shareholders. Under the Company's proposal, the Virginia-allocated portion of all system net revenues in excess of \$10 million will be shared, with 25% credited to ratepayers and 75% credited to shareholders. The Company also proposes a number of changes to its tariffs and terms and conditions of service.

Interested parties are encouraged to review the application and supporting documents for the details of these and other proposals.

Pursuant to Va. Code § 56-238, the Commission has suspended the Company's proposed revisions to its existing rates, charges, terms and conditions of service, with the exception of the Company's proposed revisions related to the RNA or WNA, GAC, recovery of hexane costs and asset management revenue sharing, and the Company's PBR, through February 12, 2007. In accordance with the Company's representations, the Company's proposals regarding the RNA or WNA, GAC, recovery of hexane costs, and asset management revenue sharing will not be implemented until these tariff revisions are approved by the Commission. The Company's proposals relative to the PBR and related requests may not take effect until, after notice and opportunity for hearing, the Commission makes the findings required by Va. Code § 56-235.6. Interested persons should be advised that, after considering all of the evidence, the Commission may approve revenues and adopt rates, fees, charges, tariff revisions, and terms and conditions of service that differ from those appearing in the Company's application or may apportion revenues among customer classes or design rates in a manner differing from that shown in the Company's application. The Commission may also approve, reject, or modify the PBR and related requests after considering all of the evidence.

A public hearing on the Company's application shall be convened on April 23, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., before a Hearing Examiner in the Commission's Second Floor Courtroom, located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219. Individuals with disabilities who require an accommodation to participate in the hearing should contact the Commission at least seven (7) days before the scheduled hearing at 1-800-552-7945 (voice), or 1-804-371-9206 (TDD). Any person not participating as a respondent as provided for below may

present oral testimony concerning this application as a public witness at the hearing.

Public witnesses desiring to make statements at the public hearing need only appear in the Commission's Second Floor Courtroom at the Tyler Building at the address set forth above prior to 9:45 a.m. on the day of the hearing and register a request to speak with the Commission's bailiff.

Interested persons may review a copy of the application and the Commission's October 13, 2006 Preliminary Order, and Order for Notice and Hearing in the Commission's Document Control Center, located on the First Floor of the Tyler building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. A copy of the application may also be obtained at no cost by interested persons by requesting the same from counsel for the Company, Donald R. Hayes, Esquire, Washington Gas Light Company, 101 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20080. If acceptable to the requesting party, the Company may provide these documents, with or without attachments, by electronic means.

On or before January 30, 2007, interested persons may participate as respondents in this proceeding by filing an original and fifteen (15) copies of a notice of participation, in accordance with Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80 B of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth below. Respondents shall serve a copy of the same upon counsel for the Company at the address set forth above on or before January 30, 2007. Any notice of participation shall set forth (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. Interested persons should obtain a copy of the Commission's Order for Notice and Hearing in this proceeding for additional information about participation as a respondent.

On or before February 28, 2007, each respondent shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of the testimony and exhibits it intends to offer to establish its case, and shall, on the same day, serve one (1) copy of such testimony and exhibits on counsel to the Company and all other respondents.

On or before February 28, 2007, any interested person wishing to comment on the Company's application shall file an

original and fifteen (15) copies of written comments with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth below and shall, on the same day, serve a copy of any such filed papers on counsel for the Company at the address set forth above. Such comments should refer to Case No. PUE-2006-00059. On or before February 28, 2007, any interested person desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions found at the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm>.

Interested parties shall refer in all of their filed papers to Case No. PUE-2006-00059. All comments, notices of participation or testimony shall be filed with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218 and shall simultaneously be served on WGL's counsel, Donald R. Hayes, Esquire, at the address set forth above. Official copies of the Commission's Order For Notice and Hearing may be obtained from the Commission's Document Control Center. The unofficial text of the Commission's Order For Notice and Hearing and other Orders entered herein, the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as well as other information concerning the Commission and the statutes it administers, may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo.htm>.

WASHINGTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY

(13) On or before November 30, 2006, the Company shall mail a copy of its application, the Commission's Preliminary Order, and this Order by personal delivery or by first-class mail, postage prepaid to the Chairman of the board of supervisors and county attorney of each county and upon the mayor or manager of every city and town (or upon equivalent officials in counties, towns and cities having alternate forms of government) in which the Company provides service. Service shall be made by personal delivery or first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.

(14) On or before March 29, 2007, WGL shall file with the Clerk proof of the publication and service required in ordering paragraphs (12) and (13) herein.

AN ATTESTED COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission to:

Donald R. Hayes, Senior Attorney, Washington Gas Light Company, 101 Constitution Avenue,

N.W., Washington, D.C. 20080; Frann G. Francis, Senior Vice-President & General Counsel, Apartment & Office Building Association of Metropolitan Washington, 1050 17th Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20036; Timothy B. Hyland, Esquire, Leffler, & Hyland, 4163 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia 22030; C. Meade Browder, Jr., Senior Assistant Attorney General, Division of Consumer Counsel, Office of Attorney General, 900 East Main Street, 2nd Floor, Richmond, Virginia 23219; and the Commission Office of General Counsel and Divisions of Public Utility Accounting, Energy Regulation, and Economics and Finance.